

ABSTRACT

A gripper device for loosening, tightening or gripping objects. The gripper device has a support structure with a fixed, object contact surface, that preferably has a high friction surface. One end of a pivot arm is pivotally attached to the support structure. The pivot arm has a free end. A cinch strap with two ends is provided. One end of the cinch strap is attached to the free end of the pivot arm and another end of the cinch strap is fixed to the structure. By moving a jar or other cylindrical object into turning contact with the cinch strap, that object will be captured and held in place.

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